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MEMORANDUM FOR: Deputy Director for Science and Technology

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SUBJECT: Creation of Joint OTS/OSO Technical Development Group ☐

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1. Last week we discussed with the ADDS&T the possible creation of a joint OTS/OSO technical development group. We believe there may be some technical functions in OTS and OSO which could be more efficiently implemented by such a joint venture. With your concurrence, we would like to initiate a study effort to look at the issue areas that such an organizational change would affect. Following are some of the questions that would need to be addressed: ☐

a. What would the functional charter of such a group be? Which portions of the R&D tasks (if any) might be retained by OSO and OTS?

b. What sort of development philosophies exist in OSO and OTS - what should be the philosophy of the new group, and can we get from here to there?

c. What would the reporting channels of such a group be?

d. What sort of process would allow this group to figure out what priorities should be attached to which projects?

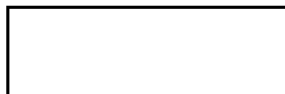
e. How would personnel be assigned to such a group? Roughly what proportion of the staff would be "permanent cadre" and what portion would be expected to move back and forth between offices?

f. What physical space implications would arise from the creation of such a group? In particular what would need to be done in order to make sure that all the members of such a group were located within walking distance of each other?

g. What sort of technical support (if any) might such a group give ☐

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h. What disruption in existing physical arrangements, reporting lines, etc., would be generated?

i. Would such an arrangement strengthen or weaken OTS/OSO support to the DDO?

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2. Naturally, the implementation of such a reorganization would be far reaching and any investigation of the feasibility or desirability of such changes must be treated as very sensitive material. We are proposing to charge C/OTS/ATG, and C/OSO/OG, as a two-man panel to explore the various options for change which may exist and to report back to us by 15 October 1980. Your concurrence for us to proceed with this study is requested.

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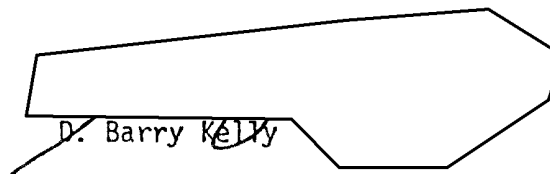
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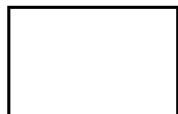


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